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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

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DOCKET NO. W-01689A-11-0401

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
CLEAR SPRINGS UTILITY COMPANY, INC.
WATER DIVISION, FOR AUTHORITY TO
INCUR LONG-TERM DEBT.

DOCKET NO. WS-01689A-11-0402

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
CLEAR SPRINGS UTILITY COMPANY, INC.
WATER AND WASTEWATER DIVISIONS, FOR
PERMANENT RATE INCREASES.

ORDER EXTENDING TIME
DEADLINE CONTAINED IN
DECISION NOS. 74037 AND 75232

Open Meeting
November 17 and 18, 2015
Phoenix, Arizona

Decision No. _____ 75326

BY THE COMMISSION:

Having considered the entire record herein and being fully advised in the premises, the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") finds, concludes, and orders that:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On August 16, 2013, the Commission issued Decision No. 74037, approving rate increases for Clear Springs Utility Company, Inc.'s ("Clear Springs" or "Company") Water Division and Wastewater Division. The Decision also authorized Clear Springs to obtain a loan from the Arizona Water Infrastructure Finance Authority ("WIFA") in the amount of \$426,249 for improvements to Clear Springs' water system. The Commission ordered that this debt authorization terminate on August 1, 2015.

2. The Decision required that Clear Springs must complete the system improvements being funded by the WIFA loan by February 3, 2015, and file a completion affidavit within 10 days of finishing the projects. The Company was also required to file Approvals of Construction ("AOCs") for all improvements by July 1, 2015.

3. On February 26, 2015, Clear Springs docketed a request to extend the completion

1 deadline to February 3, 2016.

2 4. On July 28, 2015, the Commission's Utilities Division ("Staff") filed its Memorandum
3 addressing the request. Staff stated that Staff did not object to the requested extension. Staff
4 recommended that the debt authorization be extended to December 31, 2015, and the improvement
5 projects be completed by February 3, 2016.

6 5. On August 26, 2015, the Commission issued Decision No. 75232 extending the debt
7 authorization and time deadlines contained in Decision No. 74307.

8 6. Also on August 26, 2015, the Commission issued Decision No. 75231, an Order
9 correcting Decision No. 74037 *nunc pro tunc*. Decision No. 75231 noted that the Exhibits to Decision
10 No. 74037 had been omitted inadvertently. One of the omitted Exhibits, Exhibit C, was the list of
11 authorized improvement projects ("Projects").

12 7. On October 2, 2015, Clear Springs filed a request for further extensions of time for: (1)
13 The debt authorization termination from the current due date of December 31, 2015, to March 31, 2016;
14 (2) an extension of time for the completion of the improvements surrounding Wells 3 and 7 from the
15 current due date of February 3, 2016, to August 31, 2017; and (3) an extension of time to provide the
16 AOCs for the Projects from July 1, 2015, to August 31, 2017. The application states that the new
17 deadlines will provide a reasonable schedule to allow for the issuance of the loan and the completion
18 of the Projects.

19 8. On October 30, 2015, Staff submitted a Memorandum stating that Staff does not object
20 to the requested extensions of time, recommending that the expiration date for the debt authorization
21 be extended to March 31, 2016.

22 9. Staff also recommends that the due date for the completion of the improvements be
23 extended to August 31, 2017, and the 10-day completion affidavit requirement should remain in place.

24 10. In addition, Staff recommends that the due date for filing the AOCs should be extended
25 to August 31, 2017.

26 11. Staff concludes that the recommendations for debt authorization, system improvements,
27 and the AOC requirement should apply to all of the Projects.

28 12. We find that Staff's recommendations are reasonable and should be adopted.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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2 1. Clear Springs Utility Company, Inc. is a public service corporation within the meaning
3 of Article XV of the Arizona Constitution.

4 2. The Commission has jurisdiction over Clear Springs Utility Company, Inc. and over the
5 subject matter of the applications.

6 3. Staff's recommendations are reasonable and should be adopted.

7 **ORDER**

8 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED the expiration date for the debt authorization for the Projects
9 shall be extended to March 31, 2016.

10 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the due date for the completion of the Projects shall be
11 extended to August 31, 2017.

12 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within 10 days after the Projects' completion, Clear Springs
13 Utility Company, Inc. shall file with Docket Control an affidavit confirming that the improvements to
14 PWS #02-048 and PWS #02-050 have been completed.

15 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the due date for filing the necessary Approvals of
16 Construction for the Projects shall be extended to August 31, 2017.

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1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Clear Springs Utility Company, Inc. shall docket any future
2 requests for extension of time at least 90 days prior to any existing due dates.

3 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Decision shall become effective immediately.

4 BY ORDER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION.

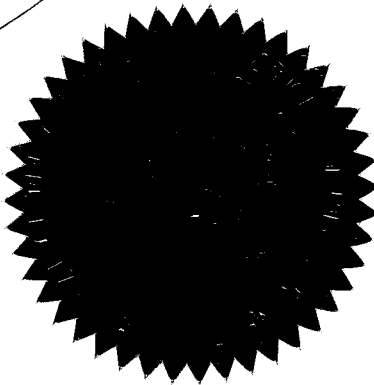
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13 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, JODI JERICH, Executive Director
14 of the Arizona Corporation Commission, have hereunto set my
15 hand and caused the official seal of the Commission to be affixed
16 at the Capitol, in the City of Phoenix, this 25th day
17 of November 2015.

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19 Jodi A. Jerich
20 JODI JERICH
21 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

22 DISSENT _____

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